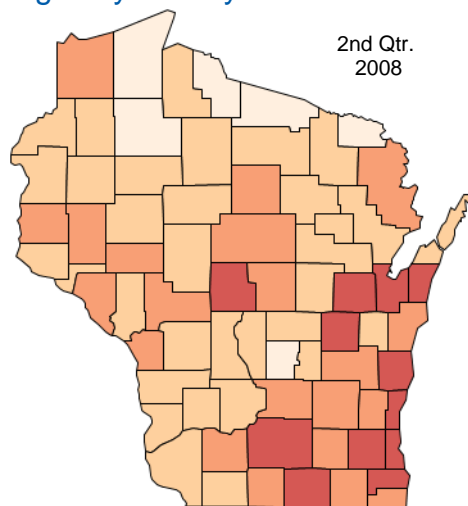
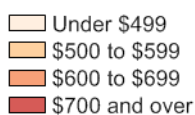


Wisconsin Average Weekly Wages by County



2nd Qtr.
2008

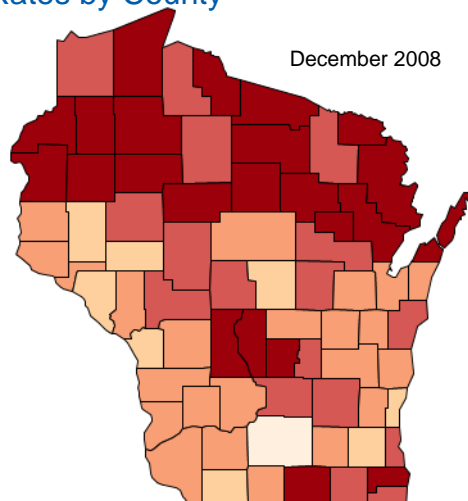
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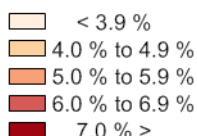
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Wisconsin Unemployment Rates by County

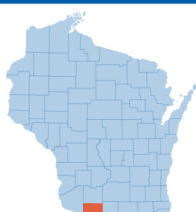


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2007 Pop. - 15,819



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Lafayette County Snapshot

Released January 30, 2009

County Employment Overview - 2nd Qtr. 2008

Below are the county's most common occupations based upon their employment. Under each occupation are the industries that, based on statewide employer staffing patterns, (estimated total number of jobs), employ the most people in the occupation. Next to each industry is the largest county employer that may employ people in that occupation. (Note: An * before an employer's name indicates that the employer has multiple locations or is counted in multiple industries but chose not to break out this information.)

1 Cashiers

INDUSTRIES	LARGEST EMPLOYERS IN INDUSTRY	# OF EMPLOYEES
Supermarkets & Other Grocery Stores	Dick's Supermarket	50-99
Other Gasoline Stations	Belmont Travel Center LLC	20-49
Limited Service Restaurants	*Subway	20-49
Other Bldg Material Dealers	Nodolf Lumber Inc	20-49
Meat Markets	Belmont Fresh Meats Inc	20-49

2 Retail Sales Staff

Other Bldg Material Dealers	Nodolf Lumber Inc	20-49
All Other General Merchandise Stores	World of Variety Inc	10-19
New Car Dealers	Darlington Motors LLC	10-19

3 Wait Staff

Limited Service Restaurants	*Subway	20-49
Golf Courses & Country Clubs	Yellowstone Golf Course LLC	20-49
Hotels & Motels exc Casino Hotels	Baymont Inn & Suites of Belmont LI	20-49
Full Service Restaurants	Wheel IN	20-49

4 Food Prep & Serving Staff

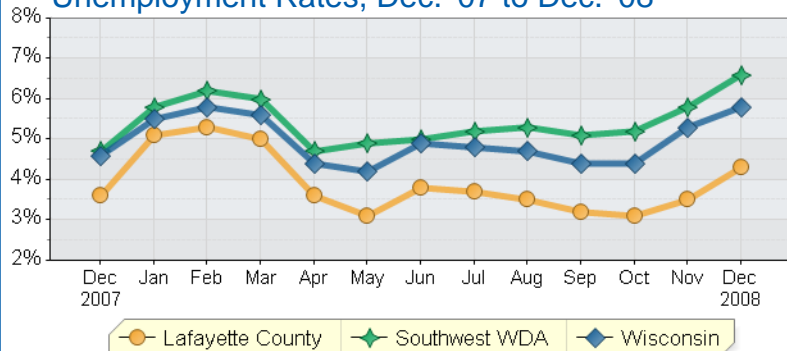
Elementary & Secondary Schools	Local Government	100-249
Supermarkets & Other Grocery Stores	Dick's Supermarket	50-99
Other Gasoline Stations	Belmont Travel Center LLC	20-49
Limited Service Restaurants	*Subway	20-49
Full Service Restaurants	Wheel IN	20-49

5 Heavy/Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers

Dairy Product Merch Whls	Shullsburg Creamery II LLC	50-99
Other Specialized Trucking Local	Roelli Cheese Co Inc	20-49
Farm Supplies Merch Whls	Frontier FS Cooperative	20-49

Source: DWD, LMI, QCEW Q2 2008; LMI, EDS Q2 2006; OEA, Short-Term Projections 2007-2009

Unemployment Rates, Dec. '07 to Dec. '08



Unemployment Rates

	Dec. '08	Nov. '08	Dec. '07
Lafayette County	4.3%	3.5%	3.6%
Southwest WDA**	6.6	5.8	4.7
Wisconsin	5.8	5.3	4.6

Employment

	Dec. '08	Nov. '08	Dec. '07
County Civilian Labor Force	10,139	10,202	9,393
# Employed	9,705	9,844	9,057
# Unemployed	434	358	336
WDA Civilian Labor Force	169,565	169,997	167,858
# Employed	158,306	160,103	160,041
# Unemployed	11,259	9,894	7,817

Source: DWD, LMI, LAUS

**Southwest WDA comprised of Rock, Green, Lafayette, Iowa, Richland & Grant Counties

Questions? - email worknet@dwd.state.wi.us

Current Active JobNet Orders* - January 20, 2009



1 Occupations with the Most Job Openings based on the worksite

	OCCUPATION	# OF ESTIMATED OPENINGS	EMPLOYERS WITH MOST OPENINGS
COUNTY	Mgrs of Retail Sales	1	Piggly Wiggly Midwest, LLC
	Physical Therapists	1	Rural WI Health Cooperative
	Occupational Therapists	1	Rural WI Health Cooperative
WDA	RNs	35	Staffing Partners Healthcare; Medical Staffing Network; Southwest Health Center Inc
	Personal & Home Care Aides	18	Brightstar Healthcare; Angelus Retirement Community; Leroy Weber
	Janitors	17	Kleenmark

2 Employers with the Most Job Openings based on the worksite

	EMPLOYER	# OF ESTIMATED OPENINGS	EMPLOYER'S MOST FREQUENT TYPES OF JOB OPENINGS
COUNTY	Rural WI Health Cooperative	2	Physical Therapists; Occupational Therapists
	Piggly Wiggly Midwest, LLC	1	Mgrs of Retail Sales
WDA	Staffing Partners Healthcare	25	RNs
	Kleenmark	18	Janitors; Mgrs of Housekeeping
	Monroe Truck Equipment	14	Helpers - Installation & Repair; Painters - Transportation Equip; Welders

3 JobNet Summary Statistics

	COUNTY	WDA
Total Job Openings	3	218
Employers with Openings	2	61

Unemployment Insurance Benefits Dec. '08 Nov. '08 Dec. '07

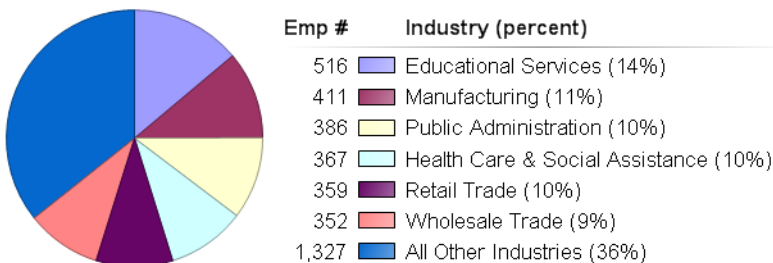
Initial Claims	County	410	260	263
	WDA	7,981	5,570	4,936
Continued Claims	County	1,503	760	931
	WDA	42,833	29,845	22,239

Source: DWD, UI

Source: Wisconsin's JobNet, January 20, 2009

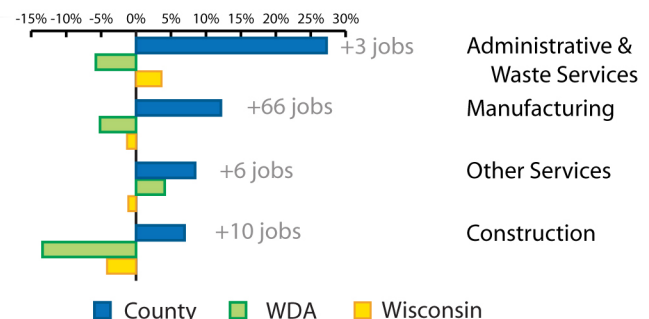
*This JobNet Orders report provides the number of job openings by occupation and by company. It is a "snapshot" of information for one day in JobNet. Job orders with five (5) or fewer counties only will be retrieved and reported above. Companies listing more than five counties as worksites will not be used for the Snapshot publications.

Top Employing Industries in County - 2nd Qtr. 2008



Source: DWD, LMI, QCEW

County Industries w/ Largest Percentage Growth in Employment: 1st Qtr. 2007 - 1st Qtr. 2008



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, LED

Nonfarm Employment

	December 2008 Employment	Lafayette County		State
		Change Since Last Month		
		#	%	%
Total Nonfarm	4,574	-9	-0.2 %	-1.2 %
Total Private	3,508	18	0.5	-1.2
Goods Producing	837	-16	-1.9	-2.8
Natural Resources and Mining and Construction	196	-8	-3.9	-9.0
Manufacturing	641	-8	-1.2	-1.1
Private Service Providing	2,671	34	1.3	-0.6
Trade	813	13	1.6	0.4
Transportation Warehousing and Utilities	197	-3	-1.5	-2.3
Financial Activities	177	3	1.7	-0.3
Educational and Health Services	329	12	3.8	-0.2
Leisure and Hospitality	325	-1	-0.3	-1.3
Information, Professional, Business & other Services	830	10	1.2	-1.3
Government	1,066	-27	-2.5	-1.3

Source: DWD, LMI, CES & Small County Estimates

Lafayette Co.

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An increase/decrease in employment may be the result of code changes that are NOT due to changes in the economic picture, rather the result of changes in the coding structure or corrections to industry and/or geographic codes.